

HOUSE BILL No. 1352

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 13-11-2; IC 13-17-1-4.

Synopsis: The climate registry. Requires the state of Indiana to become a member of and participate in the climate registry concerning greenhouse gas emissions reporting and reduction. Requires the governor or the governor's designee to sign the climate registry's statement of principles and goals to become a member of the climate registry and deliver a copy of the signed statement to the climate registry before July 1, 2009.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 13, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Environmental Affairs.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2008 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning environmental law.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 13-11-2-30.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 30.5. "Climate registry", for purposes of IC 13-17-1-4, refers to the nonprofit corporation:**

(1) whose members include:

(A) states, territories, and possessions of the United States;

(B) Indian tribes;

(C) provinces of Canada; and

(D) states of Mexico;

(2) whose purpose is to develop and manage a common greenhouse gas emissions reporting system that is capable of establishing and supporting various greenhouse gas:

(A) emissions reporting policies; and

(B) reduction policies;

for its members and reporting entities;

(3) that collects and provides greenhouse gas emissions data from members and other entities; and



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(4) that is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 2. IC 13-11-2-91.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 91.5. (a) "Greenhouse gas", for purposes of section 30.5 of this chapter, means a chemical or physical substance that:

(1) is emitted into the air; and

(2) may cause or contribute to climate change.

(b) The term includes carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride.

SECTION 3. IC 13-17-1-4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The state shall:

(1) become a member of; and

(2) participate in;

the climate registry.

(b) The governor or the governor's designee shall:

(1) sign the climate registry's statement of principles and goals to become a member of the climate registry; and

(2) deliver a copy of the signed statement to the climate registry;

before July 1, 2009.

SECTION 4. An emergency is declared for this act.

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